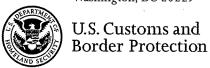
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Ms. Catherine K. Ronis Counsel to Amnesty International USA Wilmer Hale 2445 M. Street Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Ms. Ronis,

Thank you for your inquiry dated April 25, 2006, which was received by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Office of International Affairs (INA) on May 11, 2006. In your correspondence you requested that CBP provide you with records pertaining to persons apprehended since September 11, 2001; and individuals who have reportedly been held in various locations (request pertains particularly to locations listed in your letter), including regular and irregular detention facilities, ships, aircraft, and military bases.

INA does not have records on the type of information that you have requested.

I trust this answers your request for information on the above-mentioned request.

Sincerely,

E. Keith Thomson

Assistant Commissioner

Office of International Affairs

U.S. Customs and Border Protection